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PRODUCTION AND IMPORT OF CRUDE OIL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the domestic production and import ratio of crude oil showing the percentage of import requirement in the past and in the coming decades; and

(b) the impact in the production scenario of the country after introduction of New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) and projected contribution from NELP blocks in coming decades?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) The domestic production of crude oil in the year 2007-08 was 34.11 MMT. During the same year, crude oil imports were 121.67 MMT. To meet the domestic demand for petroleum products, the country processed 150.8 MMT of crude oil. Of this, domestic crude oil accounted for 19.96% and imported crude oil accounted for the remaining 80.04%. By the terminal year (2011-12) of XIth Five-Year Plan, the projected share of imported crude oil would be about 86.3% of total crude oil processed.

(b) Government awarded 162 exploration blocks under six rounds of NELP. Under seventh round of NELP, 44 blocks have been awarded & Production Sharing Contracts for 44 blocks would be signed with awardee company/consortium shortly. A total of 68 Oil & Gas discoveries have been made in NELP blocks. Additional Oil and Gas peak annual production from the discoveries MA, D1 and D3 is likely to be about 1.7 MMT of oil and 30 BCM of gas. Other discoveries are at various stages of appraisal and commerciality. The quantam of oil & gas will be known after the approval of their field development plan.